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ALMA

Mar. 27-31. Fr. Duce made his official visit as Province Prefect of Studies.

Mar. 28-29. Mr. Andrew Vachon received Tonsure and the first two Minor Orders at Menlo Park.

Mar. 29. Dr. John Nagle, prominent San Francisco psychiatrist, spoke to the theologians.

Fr. Malaise gave the ordination retreat.

On the last days of Holy Week 32 priests went out on supply. Many of them preached Tre Ore.

Frs. Casey and Sheerin attended the convention of the Nat. Cath. Educ. Assoc. in New Orleans.

A paper entitled "The Training of the Will—Is Virtue Teachable?" written by Fr. Francis Sheerin for the regional convention of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, held at U.S.F., was read by Fr. Fagothey. Fr. Prindeville led the discussion of one of the sessions.

A generous supply of beautiful flowers was donated by Podesta-Baldocchi Co. of Colma for the Holy Week and Easter decorations. Two floor lamps for the sanctuary were given by Lion's of San Jose. The sewing committee of the Jesuit Mothers made two sets of liturgical chasubles, one for Good Friday, the other for Holy Saturday.

Seasonal rain to date at Alma totals 60.17 inches.

During the summer Fr. Wm. Shepherd will supply at Watsonville.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

The university students gave a generous spiritual bouquet to Bishop McGucken, newly consecrated Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles.

Mar. 23. Loyola University Alumni sponsored the General Communion and breakfast for the Fourth Centenary of the Society. Archbishop Cantwell celebrated the Mass at Blessed Sacrament. Magr. Bernard Dolan preached the sermon. At the breakfast Dr. A. H. Gian-

nini spoke over a national radio broadcast.

Mar. 17. The Loyola Mothers Guild held their Spring Luncheon.

Fr. Rector attended the induction ceremony of Bishop Emmet Lucey, a former student of St. Vincent's College, Los Angeles, as Archbishop of San Antonio.

Seven new members were initiated into Alpha Sigma Nu, the Jesuit Honor Society.

Apr. 3. Senator Gerald Nye addressed the students against America's entry into the war.

Apr. 19. Fr. McGloin spoke at La Verne College, at a panel on "The New Core of Liberal Arts Curriculum," at the spring meeting of the Assoc. of Colleges and Universities of the Pacific Southwest.

Fr. Lynch gave several 1-day "Recollections": once to 120 members of the Assoc. Mexican Clubs; once to 40 Catholic Daughters of America; twice to the Catholic Juniors, with 30 members in each group.

During Holy Week Loyola University students participated in the "Living God" series of nationally broadcast radio plays.

Apr. 26. The Maecenas Club held its Annual Spring Bridge Luncheon at the Riviera Club.

Apr. 7. The staff of "The Lair," directed by Mr. Walshe Murray, S.J., staged a benefit smoker and brought 300 friends to the campus.

A "Salvage Center" backed by Loyola University organizations, has been launched in Los Angeles. Only the manager is paid. All other work, such as sewing and repairing, is done by volunteers from the various clubs. The nominal rent of the building is guaranteed by a benefactor. Other donations defray the low expenses.

Apr. 18. After an 8 weeks' delay caused by rain, the concrete work on the tennis courts was completed. The courts are a gift of a benefactor.

Apr. 6-12. Frs. Connolly and Lorenzo Malone gave a mission at St. Bartholomew's, Long Beach.

The University received a gift of 400 maple, cedar, magnolia and pepper trees from the Chancery Office.

Apr. 25-27. The opera, "The Student Prince," was produced by the University.

The comprehensive examinations for the seniors were postponed from April 21 to May 5.

LOYOLA HIGH

The first annual "Religious Quiz" for the C. Y. O. clubs of young people in the hundred city parishes of the archdiocese was won by Laprevote, a Loyola High Sodalist.

Easter Monday, the newly consecrated Auxiliary Bishop, McGucken, was guest of honor at a dinner at Loyola High.

Apr. 17. The annual review of the R.O.T.C. was held in honor of Archbishop Cantwell. The band gave a concert. The Henry Welch Guild of Loyola Mothers served tea to the hundreds of guests.

A mammoth raffle and bazaar will be held May 1, to help pay the heavy taxes on the buildings and grounds.

May 11. Loyola High will be host on the annual Sodality Day for all the Sodalities of the Archdiocese. Archbishop Cantwell will preside. An altar will be erected in the stadium. Loyola students will be ushers, announcers and altar boys.

Loyola Sodality was again voted by the schools of the Archdiocese as the outstanding Sodality in Southern California.

Loyola High again sponsored an apologetical contest. The winning schools were: For the girls: Ramona Convent, Santa Barbara High, St. Agnes' High, and St. Monica's. For the boys: St. Monica's High, Mt. Carmel High, Cathedral High, and St. Agnes' High.

Paul Corrigan, a freshman, died recently. An edition of the weekly bulletin "Aeternitas" was devoted to the boy and his death. On Thursday, the Freshmen of the school attended an 8 o'clock Mass and went to Communion for Paul. On Friday, the Sodalists had Mass and Communion at 8 o'clock for him. On Sunday he was recommended to the Communion of all the Student body.

DEAF PEOPLE

In April Fr. Whelan gave an 3-day retreat to professional women at the Social Service Sisters in Los Angeles. Of the 41 in retreat, 12 were hard-of-hearing. They brought their equipment, each had her ear phones. A microphone was set up on the retreat master's table, and they heard perfectly. Until the Catholic Society for the hard-of-hearing by a series of card parties bought this equipment, some of the ladies had not heard a sermon for years. They have some 36 head sets; the equipment is worth \$1200.

They state that there are 100,000 hard-of-hearing in Southern California, of whom 10,000 are Catholics. Over 200 Protestant churches in Southern California are equipped with ear phones for the hard-of-hearing. Only three Catholic churches have them. Because of the number of services, only 6 or 8 sets are needed in a Catholic church. Only one church has an ear phone in one of its confessionals. The Franciscans have one in their parlor in Los Angeles. The deaf state that the lack of facility to hear in the confessional is much worse than not hearing a sermon. All their lives they get no more than the sign of the priest who raises his hand with five or three fingers for the penance.

It is recommended that our larger churches put ear phones in two of their confessionals.

LOS GATOS

Mar. 16. Mr. Finnegan, of Bellarmine Prep, gave the Juniors an interesting talk on the "high lights" and "side lights" of teaching high school Latin.

Br. Rice after three weeks in the hospital, underwent a serious operation on April 17.

Fr. Brolan attended the Educational Convention in New Orleans. In April, Fr. McKey left for his annual trip in the east.

A new Library Reading Room, built mostly by Br. Deutsch, for the Juniors, has just been completed in the large room opposite the Fathers' Library.

Brs. Moreno and Benecke drove to Los Angeles with the new tabernacle made by Br. Benecke for Loyola High.

The heavy rains necessitated replotting, and caused several slides on the Della Strada Road.

SAN FRANCISCO

V. R. Fr. Provincial made the visitation of the house in April. He also gave the Tre Ore.

Fr. Rector delivered an address at a dinner given in his honor by the Newman Club of Northwestern University. He and Fr. King attended the Cath. Educ. Conv. in New Orleans. Fr. Schechtel attended the meeting of the Cath. Lib. Assoc. in that city.

In Holy Week Fr. Laherty conducted the day of recollection for the university students.

Fr. Cosgrave preached the novena in honor of St. Joseph.

The Ladies' Sodality have donated a window in the church; another has been generously donated by a family. To date, nine windows have been installed; three more have been promised.

The Jesuit Mothers' Club entertained the fathers of Jesuits at an informal evening gathering, when about 150 were present in the high school auditorium.

In the first annual Gavel Debate and Oratory Tournament about 165 from various high schools, Catholic and public, participated. There were two sections, one for debating and one for oratory. Teams were entered from all over the state; among them were teams from Glendale, Sacramento, Los Angeles, Los Gatos, and San Joaquin Valley. Very beautiful trophies were given to the winners in all departments of the competition. In oratory, in the girls' division, Los Gatos High came first; Notre Dame des Victoires, second; St. Brigid's, third. In the boys' division, Lowell High took first and second. In debating, Ripon high took first place; St. Ignatius, second. Remarks made by the participants were very favorable. They claimed that of the many contests they had entered, this was the most expeditiously conducted. At noon a lunch was served to the participants, the coaches and those who accompanied them.

Carrying out the annual policy of a one-night, free admission production, the Night School Drama class put on the "Cradle Song." It was very well done.

"Brother Rat," an hilarious comedy success, was staged for three nights before capacity houses by the College Players.

Apr. 18, 19. The fourth Pacific Coast Regional Convention of the Amer. Cath. Phil. Assoc. held their meetings in the University Auditorium. The general topic was "The Philosophy of Christian Education."

The high school was presented with \$500 by the Loyola Guild for the purchase of rugs and draperies, badly needed in the auditorium.

Dr. Mortimer Adler, professor of philosophy at the University of Chicago, was a guest of the community at lunch, and for two hours afterwards proved conclusively that he is a true doctor of philosophy.

A high school student of third year won first place in the Native Sons oratorical contest. To date he has first place among San Francisco contestants, as well as those from Northern California. At a later date he meets the winner of the Southern California section.

Apr. 30. The combined student bodies of College and High School commenced the celebration of President's Day by attending the Mass of Fr. Rector. Athletic events filled the day and a faculty dinner closed it.

Fr. John O'Dea, a St. Ignatius graduate, said Mass in April for the First Friday monthly Communion of the student body.

Fr. Paul O'Brien has completed and defended his thesis. This summer he will be granted his doctorate by the University of California.

SANTA CLARA

Two Santa Clara engineering students, Gene Stephens and Harry Hayes, won first and second prizes in the student competition at the annual convention of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers of the Pacific Coast, held at the Calif. Institute of Technology, Pasadena.

Apr. 17. The members of the Nobili Club of Santa Clara were hosts to the Italian Clubs of U.S.F. and St. Mary's.

Apr. 17. A military review of the R.O.T.C. unit of the university was held in honor of General Peek, Commanding Officer of the 9th Corps Area. Later he and his staff and their families were guests at dinner in the Adobe Lodge.

Fr. Hubbard has returned from his lecture tour of the East for a series of lectures on the Pacific Coast. In the near future he will release for distribution a number of educational films which have been prepared in the new film laboratory at Santa Clara.

After a recent operation in San Francisco, Fr. Donavon has returned to Santa Clara to convalesce.

Fr. Gianera attended the Educational Convention in New Orleans.

In the fourth week of April, "Cenodoxus" was produced seven times. The play was presented as Santa Clara's tribute in honor of the Society's fourth centenary.

Apr. 5. Al Schirle, a young man of St. Mary's parish who had been caring for the university orchard on White Road, died after an illness of six weeks.

BELLARMINE PREP

After Easter Fr. Rector attended the N.C.E.A. Convention in New Orleans.

A short play and entertainment was staged by Fr. Stretch, assisted by Mr. O'Toole, for the benefit of the Sodality. First seen by the school, it was repeated for Notre Dame High, and for the Dads' Club.

During Holy Week Fr. Robidoux supplied at Niles; Fr. Burns, at St. Patrick's, San Jose.

The Bellarmine Scholastics sang the Tenebrae at St. Joseph's Church on Spy Wednesday and Holy Thursday; and chanted the Prophecies and Litanies on Holy Saturday.

Under the direction of Mr. Spohn, the Senior Debating Society journeyed to Moraga for a Debate Conference sponsored by St. Mary's. Later both the Senior and Junior divisions participated in the Debate Congress at U.S.F.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION

V. R. Fr. General's Letter of Appreciation to V. R. Fr. Assistant for the General Communion Sunday of our Alumni.

Rome, Italy.
March 23, 1941.

Dear Father Assistant: P. C.

Now that I have offered the holy sacrifice of the Mass for all our alumni in the American Assistancy, and have applied 300 Masses for them, I cannot refrain from again making known to your Reverence the deep consolation given me by the Holy Communion received this day by our alumni on the occasion of the Fourth Centenary of the Society.

I shall spend this whole day united with them in a special manner in Holy Communion, and beg the divine Majesty to strengthen them with heavenly grace to follow Christ, the only Savior of the world, and to confess Him by their manner of life and by their deeds.

Your Reverence's

Servant in Christ,

WL. LEDOCHOWSKI, S.J.

VARIA

Retreat Dates

Ju. 17p-26a, Teachers, S. C., Fr. Feely.
Jy. 6p-15a, Juniors, Fr. Acquistapace.

Jy. 22p-31a, Theologians, Fr. Wheeler.
Jy. 22p-31a, Brothers, S. C., Fr. Rice.

At the close of April, El Retiro began a two-a-week schedule. The laymen as usual have their week-end retreats; student groups from the parishes make retreats at the beginning of the week.

Apr. 27. The Catholic Laymen's Retreat Association made their annual Communion, in St. Mary's Cathedral, at the Archbishop's Mass. Some 1500 men exemplified the good work done by El Retiro. Retreatants living at a distance in the outlying towns received Communion in their own churches.

Of the 9 retreats given for women at the Maryknoll Convent, Mountain View, from July to September, two are given by Fr. Wm. Butler, one by a Maryknoll Father, two by Paulists, four by Jesuits.

May 13. The Provincials' Meeting in Chicago.

Fr. Cyril Kavanagh preached the special sermon for the Jesuit Alumni Communion Mass in St. Joseph's, San Jose.

Fr. Grisez gave a retreat at Holy Family Convent, San Jose, to 200 public school girls.

Fr. Clark gave a similar retreat at the Holy Family Day Home, San Francisco, also to 200 public school girls.

Mar. 16. Fr. O'Kane spoke at all the Masses at St. Joseph's for the Propagation of the Faith. \$565 was the generous response to his appeal.

Mar. 30. Fr. Laherty spoke at all the Masses for the War Relief collection ordered by the Bishops of the country. \$850 was the still more generous result.

Fr. Hilary Werts finished his thesis in Montreal. Apr. 27, he took his examination.

TRE ORE

Fresno, Fr. J. Crowley.
L. A., Holy Cross, Fr. Whelan.
L. Beach, St. Bart's, Fr. L. Malone.
Redwood, Fr. Healy.
S. F. Hospital, Fr. Clark.
San Jose, St. Leo's, Fr. Curran.
St. Joseph's, Fr. Kavanagh.
St. Mary's, Fr. P. Dunne.
St. Patrick's, Fr. Rice.
San Pedro, Fr. Louis Sullivan.
Santa Clara, Fr. Marine.
Santa Monica, Fr. Brolan.
Soledad, Fr. Franchi.
Taft, Fr. Gaffney.

DEATHS

Apr. 14, Mr. John B. Fox, 1st yr. phil., Spokane.
Sister of Fr. Stern.